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Sicily



8 DAY TOUR FROM PALERMO TO PALERMO

Tour: 6280

Join us on a budget-friendly vacation in Sicily—the Mediterranean’s largest island, just off the toe of Italy’s “boot.” Your discovery of this fascinating island, rich in culture, warm welcomes, and beauty starts in Palermo, a vibrant city of churches, squares, marketplaces, and palazzos of every style. Take in stunning views with a cable-car ride to the medieval hilltop town of Erice—with cobblestone streets, fortifications, ancient churches, and breathtaking views over the Mediterranean Sea and the Egadi Islands. Enjoy a guided tour of Trapani, set on a harbor that was once a powerful trading network, and visit Marsala, known for its aromatic wine. See the Acropolis and the temples in Selinunte, and take a guided tour of the spectacular ancient Greek temples near Agrigento. Visit the Roman Villa at Casale, famous for its mosaics, like the “Bikini Girls.” Visit elegant Taormina and the coastal town of Cefalù. Enjoy an excursion on Mount Etna, the majestic volcano overlooking the city of Catania, the verdant valleys, and the shimmering blue Mediterranean waters. Celebrate your Sicilian adventure ending your affordable adventure in Palermo.

All This. Included.

The world is within reach with everything you need for perfectly affordable touring. Cosmos includes hand-selected accommodations, guided sightseeing, and seamless transportation between destinations—with value-minded travel lovers in mind. Explore with expert Cosmos Tour Directors and Local Guides, complimentary headsets, and private, first-class, air-conditioned motorcoach with free Wi-Fi. Enhance your free time to explore like a local with your CosmosGO mobile app!

Your Tour Includes:

- Guided sightseeing in Palermo
- Guided sightseeing in Trapani
- Scenic cable car ride to Erice
- Visit to the Acropolis in Selinunte
- Guided sightseeing in Agrigento archaeological site
- Visit to the Roman villa in Piazza Armerina
- Excursion to Mount Etna volcano
- Visit to Taormina
- Orientation tour of seaside Cefalù

8

DAYS

1

COUNTRY

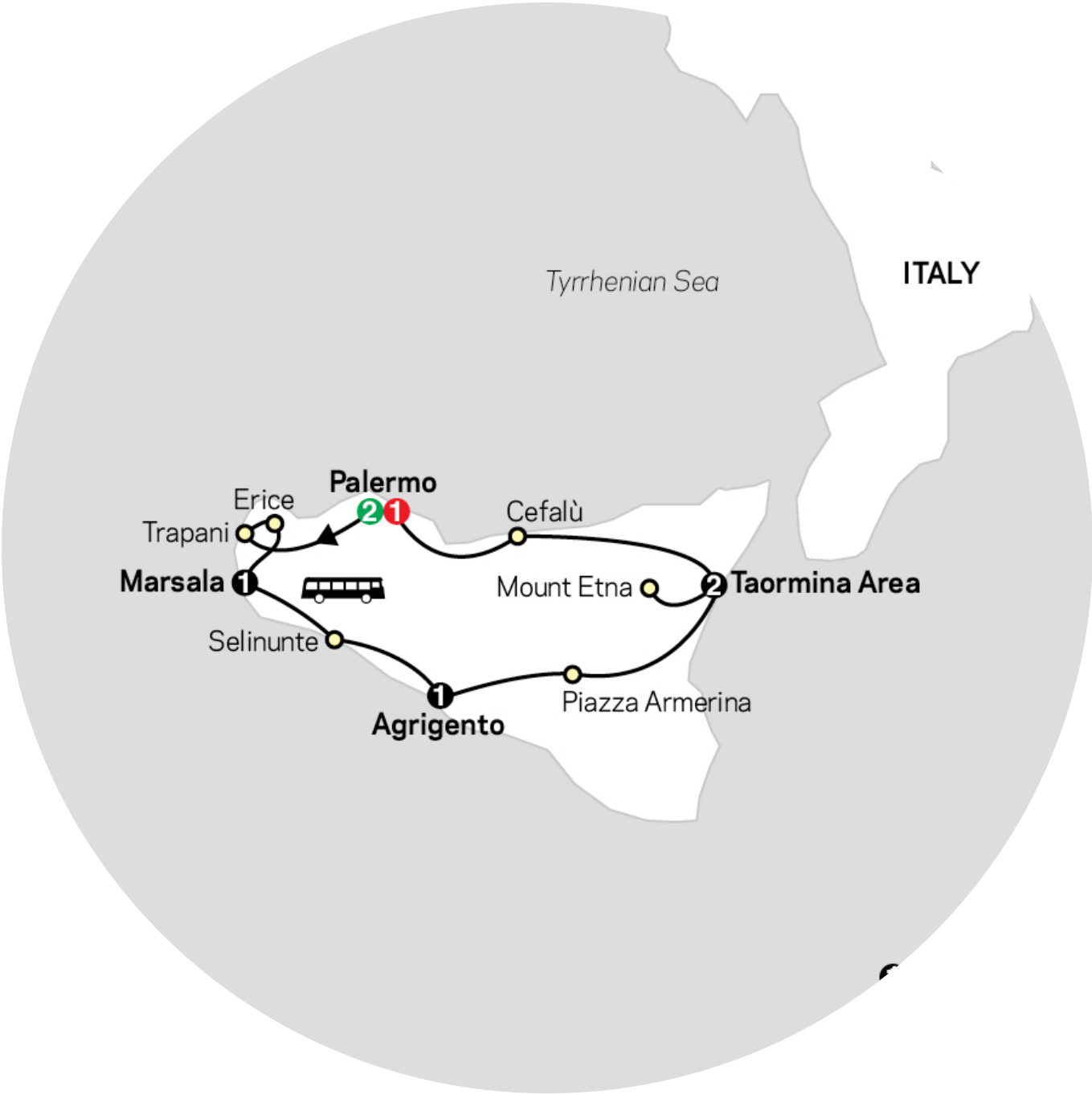
**COUNTRIES**

Italy

**MEALS**

Breakfast 7

Dinner 4



Day  Day

Itinerary

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1 ARRIVE IN PALERMO, ITALY

Check into your hotel. Spend the rest of your day exploring this great city with tips, maps, and recommendations on your CosmosGO app. Tonight, meet your Tour Director and travel companions.

 Dinner

2 PALERMO

A full day to enjoy this busy and brilliant city with many interesting squares and marketplaces, churches, and palazzos in every style—from Moorish to Baroque. Join the included sightseeing tour to learn more about the history and culture and visit the magnificent Baroque St. Catherine Church.

 Breakfast

While we include select excursions on your trip, you may wish to explore other options to enhance your free time. Below is a selection of excursions that may be available for purchase on your tour.

Taste & Tradition: Live Sicilian Cooking Show

Step into a hidden Sicilian retreat for an unforgettable experience. Set within a historic venue, once the stables of a 15th-century palace framed by Punic stone walls, this...

2h 30m

Price Range: \$\$



3 PALERMO–TRAPANI–ERICE–MARSALA

Two Sicilian treats are on the agenda today. First, visit enchanting Trapani with a Local Guide. Set on a harbor that was once at the heart of a powerful trading network stretching from Carthage to Venice, the city center skirts the port and was built primarily in Baroque style. Next, take a cable car to visit the medieval hilltop town of Erice. Situated about 2,500 feet above sea level, it immediately impresses with its defensive walls and castle, affording breathtaking views over the Gulf of Trapani and Egadi Islands. On clear days, see all the way to the African coast. Overnight in nearby Marsala.

Today's Distance: 121 mi/ 195 km

 Breakfast  Dinner

4 **MARSALA–SELINUNTE–AGRIGENTO**

This morning, spend some time on your own in Marsala, or awaken your palate with an optional excursion to learn about Sicilian wine and to experience the ancient salt pans and mills, created by the Phoenicians and still active today. The salt pans, according to temperature, weather, and water evaporation, display different colors reflecting the Sicilian sky. Then head towards Selinunte, one of the most striking and interesting archaeological sites in Sicily. Here, you will see the remains of the acropolis, with its temples and fortifications. Continue to Agrigento.

Today's Distance: 93 mi/ 150 km

 Breakfast  Dinner

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Sicily Salt Pans & Marsala Wines

Wine and salt are two of the products Sicily is famous for! Visit the islands vast and captivating salt pans, then stop by a famous winery for a tour and tasting session!...

2h 30m

Price Range: \$



5 AGRIGENTO–PIAZZA ARMERINA–TAORMINA AREA

Enjoy a guided visit of the spectacular Doric temple of Concord, and the temple of Juno Lacinia, archaeological jewels of the Valley of the Temples near Agrigento. On to Piazza Armerina, a maze of steep streets positively overflowing with the vibrant atmosphere of Sicilian life. At nearby Casale, visit the well-preserved Roman villa, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and famous for its mosaics, including the whimsical “Bikini Girls.” Tonight, we’ll save you a seat at the table for an optional Sicilian dinner. The tastes and aromas of colorful Sicilian food never fail to please, especially when paired with traditional music and entertainment.

Today's Distance: 158 mi/ 255 km

 Breakfast

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Sicilian Dinner and Folklore

Taste a delicious Sicilian style dinner enjoying some folk music and entertainment

3h 0m

Price Range: \$\$



6 TAORMINA AREA. EXCURSION TO MOUNT ETNA

Drive up the heights of Mount Etna with the option of a jeep or cable-car ride for a better view of Europe's largest active volcano (subject to weather conditions). Descend to sun-kissed Taormina, magnificently situated on a 700-foot plateau overlooking the Ionian Sea. The heart of Taormina is Piazza Nove Aprile, a paved square with unmatched views of the sea and Mount Etna. Take a stroll along the Corso Umberto and maybe taste a refreshing granita or a sumptuous cannolo.

Today's Distance: 93 mi/ 150 km



Breakfast



Dinner

7

TAORMINA AREA-CEFALÙ-PALERMO

Arrive in the coastal town of Cefalù, featuring medieval squares, narrow streets, and ancient churches. During your visit, marvel at the sight of the Norman cathedral, a 12th-century fortress-like structure with elaborate Byzantine mosaics and soaring twin towers. Later, return to Palermo. During your final day in this glorious city, catch up on some last-minute shopping or explore more of the city on your own.

Today's Distance: 186 mi/ 300 km

 Breakfast

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Palermo Coastal Farewell Dinner

Enjoy a farewell evening experience just outside Palermo. Departing from the city center, travel northward and leave the city behind, enjoying changing views along the route as...

4h 0m

Price Range: \$\$



8 PALERMO

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast

Notes

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High altitudes may be challenging for some guests. The ascent to Mount Etna reaches an elevation of 6,500 ft. (1,981 m).

Tour Director

Hand-Picked

Hotels



After a day of traveling, you want to relax at a comfortable, clean, and attractive hotel. We select hotels with the best guestrooms (always with a private bathroom), service, and food for the money.

PALERMO

B&B Quattro Canti

Via Vittorio Emanuele, 291 Palermo Italy



First-Class



WiFi

"The B&B Quattro Canti is located in the very heart of the Old Town, in the Loggia district, just steps away from the church of San Giuseppe. His highlight is the typical Sicilian restaurant on the top floor with its unique terrace and exclusive views over the historic center of Palermo. All elegantly furnished guest rooms offers air conditioning, minibar, in-room safe, 40-inch Smart TV with international channels, and are designed to meet all needs of travelers. A shop is available in the lobby, selling drinks, snacks, ready meals, and a selection of ready-made cocktails. Free Wi-Fi- internet access is available throughout the property. "

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Restaurant On-Site
- Bar/Lounge
- Gift Shop

- Elevator

Room Features

- Mini-Bar
- Air Conditioning
- Hair Dryer
- Cable/Satellite
- Internet Access
- In-Room Safe
- Desk
- Television
- Complimentary Toiletries

MARSALA

President

Via Nino Bixio, 1 Marsala Italy



First-Class



WiFi

Hotel President Marsala is a comfortable 3 stars hotel in Marsala facing the Sicilian sea. The hotel boasts a friendly staff always keen on providing the maximum attention to the guests, as well as a mediterranean restaurant and a wonderful. 128 rooms equipped with free wifi, a wide parking for buses too and a 24h reception desk providing touristic informations and everything guests might need. All is completed by the Meeting centre, the ideal location for business meetings, groups briefings and much more.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Bar/Lounge
- Pool
- Luggage Storage
- Restaurant On-Site
- Concierge Desk
- Laundry Available
- Elevator

Room Features

- Room Service
- Air Conditioning
- Wake-Up Calls
- Mini-Bar
- Climate Control
- Desk

- Hair Dryer
- Window Opens
- Internet Access
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Television
- Cable/Satellite
- Phone
- Disabled Access / Rooms

AGRIGENTO

Grand Hotel Mose

Viale Leonardo Sciascia Agrigento Italy

 First-Class

 WiFi

Grand Hotel Mosè is an elegant 2-floor building entirely made of tuff stone, surrounded by a Mediterranean garden with swimming pool and located not far from the Valley of the Temples. . Its rooms are spacious and most of them come with a terrace. La Mimosa restaurant offers menus of local and international cuisine and during Summer meals are served by the pool. A bar for a quick snack or just an espresso is also available. Free Wi-Fi internet access available throughout the hotel.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Bar/Lounge
- Pool
- Ice Machine
- Elevator
- Restaurant On-Site
- Concierge Desk
- Laundry Available
- Luggage Storage
- Parking/Valet

Room Features

- Room Service
- In-Room Safe
- Climate Control
- Wake-Up Calls
- Hair Dryer
- Window Opens
- Mini-Bar
- Air Conditioning
- Pay Movies
- Desk
- Television
- Cable/Satellite

- Complimentary Toiletries
- Phone
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Internet Access
- Complimentary Newspaper
- Disabled Access / Rooms

TAORMINA AREA

Sporting Baia

Via Naxos Giardini Naxos Italy



First-Class



WiFi

Located in a fascinating location, the hotel has 104 air-conditioned rooms, fully furnished with a flat-screen TV, Free Wi-Fi, desk and safe. Relax on the large sunny terrace with wonderful views of Mount Etna, enjoy the beautiful swimming pool, the beauty salon, the sauna or the quiet private beach. The restaurant serves very delicious local and international specialties.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Restaurant On-Site
- Business Center
- Spa Services
- Elevator
- Fitness Room
- Bar/Lounge
- Pool
- Laundry Available
- Currency Exchange

Room Features

- In-Room Safe
- Climate Control
- Hair Dryer
- Cable/Satellite
- Internet Access
- Air Conditioning
- Desk
- Television
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Phone

Arathena Rocks Hotel

Via Calcide Eubea, 55 Giardini Naxos Italy



First-Class



WiFi

Arathena Rocks hotel is a charming 4-star hotel in Giardini di Naxos, offering stunning views, an outdoor pool, in a peaceful atmosphere. Ideal to enjoy a drink at the bar or delight a delicious meal at the restaurant. The hotel features elegant and comfortable rooms ensuring a relaxing stay.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Bar/Lounge
- Pool
- Luggage Storage
- Restaurant On-Site
- Concierge Desk
- Laundry Available
- Elevator

Room Features

- Room Service
- Hair Dryer
- Cable/Satellite
- Internet Access
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Air Conditioning
- Television
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Phone